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Kids Will Love Interactive ‘Find Jimmy Hoffa’ Kiosk!

A new attraction on the Las Vegas Strip gives visitors a glimpse into the origin and rise of mobs in Sin City. It features possessions and home movies from some of organized crime’s most famous figures, including Meyer Lansky’s diary and cars belonging to Bugsy Siegel. The Las Vegas Mob Experience at the Tropicana hotel and casino will open to the public March 1. Video displays throughout will provide commentary from James Caan, Mickey Rourke and Frank Vincent, actors with famous Mob-related roles. (AP)

“The king doesn’t pay for cigarettes.”

— A SANDUSKY, OHIO, MAN WHO REFUSED TO PAY FOR A \$6 PACK OF MARLBORO REDS AT A WARREN, MICH., 7-ELEVEN ON SATURDAY. HE WAS ARRESTED SHORTLY AFTER.

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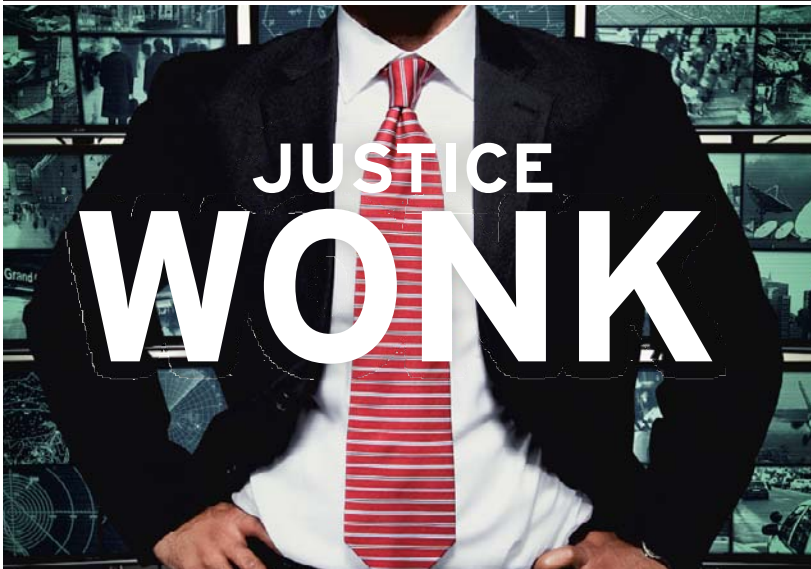
Four goat heads were left on porches and nailed to a homemade cross at a Catholic church in Cincinnati, but police remain puzzled more than two months after the incidents. Detective Charles Zopfi with the Cincinnati Police Department said he did not believe the incidents involved satanic activity, and four shoppers who bought goat heads at a local specialty super market were interviewed. “Most of the people were taken aback that somebody would do something this odd,” he said. (AP)

The Big Picture

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**MARINE ONE**, the helicopter that transports the president, kicks up snow and ice as it lands on the South Lawn of the White House on Tuesday prior to President Obama’s departure for Cleveland, Ohio. (AP)



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## In Brief

## WASHINGTON

**High Court Rules Against Parents in Vaccine Case**

The Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that a federal law bars lawsuits against drugmakers over serious side effects from childhood vaccines. By a 6-2 vote, the court ruled against the parents of a child who sued drugmaker Wyeth for the health problems they say their daughter, now 19, suffered from a vaccine she received in infancy. (AP)

## ST. LOUIS, MO.

**Jefferson's Books Found In Mo. University Library**

Dozens of Thomas Jefferson's books, some including handwritten notes from the nation's third president, have been found in the rare books collection at Washington University in St. Louis. Now, historians are poring through the 69 newly discovered books, and librarians are searching the collection for more that may have belonged to Jefferson. (AP)

## PIERRE, S.D.

**Sen. Thune: I Won't Run Against Obama in 2012**

Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., says he decided not to run for president next year after concluding that President Obama would be tough to beat. Thune said on Tuesday that he isn't as well-known and wouldn't be able to raise as much money as other potential GOP candidates. (AP)

# Wis. Democrats Move to Halt Bill

Lawmakers roll out 100 amendments to stall anti-union plan

**Madison, Wis.**

With their Senate colleagues still in hiding, Democrats in the Wisconsin Assembly began introducing a barrage of 100 amendments Tuesday to try to stymie the Republican governor's plan to strip unionized public employees of most of their bargaining rights.

Both houses of the GOP-controlled Legislature convened shortly before noon amid noisy protests outside the state Capitol that began more than a week ago in an epic showdown that is being watched nervously by organized labor across the country.

The Senate was unable to take up the union measure because its 14 Democrats skipped town last week, denying the chamber a quorum. But Assembly Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald pledged that his chamber would approve the bill this week, despite the blizzard of Democratic amendments.



A flag and a sign sit on a bench outside the state Capitol Tuesday in Madison, Wis.

Turning up the pressure on the Democrats, Gov. Scott Walker warned that state employees could start receiving layoff notices as early as next week if the bill isn't passed

soon. The layoffs couldn't take effect immediately — existing union contracts could forestall them for weeks or months — and Walker wouldn't say which jobs he would go after

**Meanwhile ...**

While Wisconsin remained the main front in the national debate over union rights, similar battles were taking shape in other states. In Indiana, House Democrats walked out of the Statehouse on Tuesday, blocking a GOP-backed bill against mandatory union dues. Only three of the 40 Democratic members of the chamber were present, depriving it of a quorum. A similar debate in Ohio drew thousands of union protesters. (AP)

first: "Hopefully, we don't get to that point." Borrowing the strategy pioneered by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Walker planned to take his case to the voters Tuesday evening with a fireside chat.

If lawmakers take no action on the union bill by the end of the week, the state will not be able to refinance debt that Walker had counted on for \$165 million worth of savings under the legislation.

Republican leaders in both the Senate and Assembly said they have the votes to pass the bill.

SCOTT BAUER (AP)



**Fade to Gray:** Hit by an aging population and a poor economy, a near-record number of U.S. counties are experiencing more deaths than births in their communities, a phenomenon demographers call "natural decrease." In all, roughly 760 of the nation's 3,142 counties are fading away, stretching from industrial areas near Pittsburgh and Cleveland to the vineyards outside San Francisco to the rural areas of east Texas and the Great Plains. (AP)

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# Nation

## Group: Paid Parental Leave Lags

### New York

Americans often take pride in ways their nation differs from others. But one distinction — lack of a nationwide policy of paid maternity leave — is cited in a new report as an embarrassment that could be redressed at low cost and without harm to employers.

Human Rights Watch, based in New York, focuses most of its investigations on abuses abroad. But on Wednesday, with the release of a report by the deputy director of the women's rights division, Janet Walsh, on work and family policies in the U.S., it takes the unusual step of critiquing a phenomenon affecting tens of millions of Americans.

### Affordability Questions

**Past efforts in Congress to enact** a paid family leave law have floundered, drawing opposition from business lobbyists who say it would be a burden on employers. Instead, there is the 1993 Family and Medical Leave Act, which enables workers with new children or seriously ill family members to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave. By excluding companies with fewer than 50 employees, it covers only about half the work force, and many who are covered cannot afford to take unpaid leave. (AP)

The report, "Failing its Families," says at least 178 countries have national laws guaranteeing paid leave for new mothers, while the handful of exceptions include the U.S., Swaziland and Papua New Guinea. More than 50 nations, including most Western countries, also guarantee paid

leave for new fathers.


"Family values often end at the workplace door," said Ellen Bravo of the Family Values at Work Consortium, a 15-state network working for family-friendly policies. "What we're fighting for isn't just modest — it's meager compared to what other countries have." DAVID CRARY (AP)


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# Gadhafi Issues Vow of Defiance

Libyan leader would rather die a ‘martyr’ than resign his post

Cairo

A defiant Moammar Gadhafi vowed to fight to his “last drop of blood” and roared at supporters to strike back against Libyan protesters to defend his embattled regime Tuesday, signaling an escalation in a crackdown that has thrown Tripoli into scenes of may-

**“It is not possible that I leave this place. I will die as a martyr at the end.”**

— MOAMMAR GADHAFI, ASSERTING IN A TELEVISED SPEECH TUESDAY HIS RESOLVE TO REMAIN THE LEADER OF LIBYA.

hem, wild shooting and bodies in the streets.

The speech by the Libyan leader was an all-out call for his backers to impose control over the capital and take back other cities. After a week of upheaval, protesters have claimed control over almost the entire eastern half of Libya’s 1,000-mile Mediterranean coast, including several oil-producing areas.

“Libya will lead America, Libya will lead Asia, Libya will lead the



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Moammar Gadhafi’s performance on state TV Tuesday night went far beyond even the bizarre, volatile style he has been notorious for during his nearly 42 years in power, the longest of any current Mideast leader. The Libyan leader at times screamed and shook his fists — then switched to reading glasses to read from a law book, losing his train of thought before launching into a new round of shouting. He spoke in the entrance of his bombed-out Tripoli residence hit by U.S. airstrikes in the 1980s, left unrepaired as a symbol of defiance. (AP)

world,” Gadhafi said. “This march cannot be stopped.”

Celebratory gunfire by Gadhafi supporters rang out in Tripoli after his speech, while in Benghazi, Libya’s second-largest city, a crowd threw shoes in contempt at a screen showing his address.

International alarm rose over the crisis, which sent oil prices

soaring Tuesday to \$95.42 per barrel, the highest level in more than two years, and sparked a scramble by European and other countries to get their citizens out of the North African nation.

Gadhafi’s retaliation has already been the harshest in the Arab world to the wave of anti-government protests sweeping several countries.

Meanwhile ...

The U.N. Security Council, after an emergency session on Tuesday, condemned the bloody crackdown on protesters in Libya and called for an immediate end to the violence. Libyan ambassador Ibrahim Dabashi on Monday urged the U.N. to enforce a no-fly zone over Libyan cities to prevent mercenaries and military equipment from reaching the Gadhafi regime. (AP)

Nearly 300 people have been killed, according to a partial count by the New York-based Human Rights Watch.

Tripoli, the capital, has seen two nights of bloodshed: Residents described a rampage by pro-Gadhafi militiamen who shot anyone in the streets and opened fire from speeding vehicles at people.

In a sign of the extent of the breakdown in Gadhafi’s regime, one of his closest associates, Abdel Fattah Younis — his interior minister and commander of a powerful commando brigade — announced his defection and urged other armed forces to join the revolt.

Many army units in the east appear to have sided with protesters, and other institutional parts of his regime have weakened. (AP)

In Brief

JERUSALEM

Israel Riled by Voyage Of 2 Iranian Warships

Two Iranian warships sailed from the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean on Tuesday, the first such trip in at least three decades, eliciting Israeli charges that Tehran is seeking to dominate the Middle East. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu denounced Iran on Tuesday, but he did not refer directly to the two warships. (AP)

MANAMA, BAHRAIN

King Agrees to Release Political Prisoners

Tens of thousands of protesters flooded Bahrain’s capital Tuesday as King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa made another concession to the marchers — a promise to release an unspecified number of political prisoners. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said the U.S. welcomed the king’s decision. (AP)

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The number of years Algeria has been in a state of emergency. Officials agreed Tuesday to end the measure, which banned large protests and increased local officials’ power, though no date was set. (AP)

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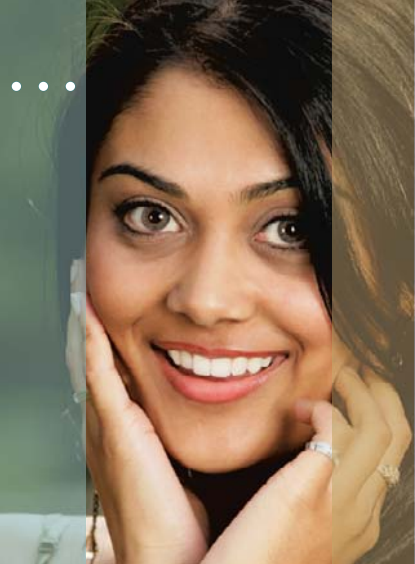
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# 'Utter Devastation' in New Zealand Quake

## Christchurch, New Zealand

Some screamed from inside collapsed buildings. One woman called her children to say goodbye. Others tapped on the rubble.

Search teams worked through dawn Wednesday in Christchurch, trying to free survivors after a powerful earthquake struck one of New Zealand's largest cities.

They fear that the death toll — officially at least 75 as of Wednesday local time — could quickly rise, ranking among the island nation's worst earthquakes in 80 years. Officials say at least 300 more are missing.



Officials say Tuesday's quake in Christchurch may be among New Zealand's worst.

Military units patrolled streets disfigured by the huge cracks and canyons created in Tuesday's 6.3-magnitude quake, the second

powerful temblor to hit the city of 350,000 in five months.

"It is just a scene of utter devastation," said Prime Minister John

Key. "We may well be witnessing New Zealand's darkest day."

New Zealand accepted offers of specialist rescue teams from Australia, Singapore, Japan, the United States, Britain and Taiwan.

At the Tasman Glacier, about 120 miles away, guides said the quake shook free about 30 million tons of ice, forming icebergs in the lake and creating waves up to 11 feet high.

A 7.1-magnitude quake hit Christchurch on Sept. 4 but caused no deaths. A strong aftershock in December caused further damage to buildings, and the U.S. Geological Survey said Tuesday's quake was also an aftershock. (AP)



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# A Checkup on Lifts

**Q** I'm happy that WMATA now has a Web page reporting escalator and elevator outages, but I wonder whether it's really capturing them all. I have some doubts but haven't been able to check.

**Dr. Gridlock** The information you see on the Metro escalator/elevator outage page are based on reports from the maintenance teams and from the station managers. There have been times when I've noticed a lag in reporting — either reporting that an escalator is out, or that it's back. But I'm not sure there's any way we can know systemwide whether the outage page is up to date. I do sense that the transit staff is much more focused on attacking the problems.

**Q** I take the Y bus down Georgia between the Aspen Hill area and the Glenmont station. The morning is fine, and the bus is usually on time. The afternoon is terrible. On Friday, I waited almost 45 minutes for a bus that should run every 15 minutes. I know Georgia is very congested, but can't something be done? Maybe split the route up? Metro does studies on various congested lines, and the result often is to break up the routes into local buses and limited-stop buses. I'm just not aware of any study in the works for that part of Georgia Avenue right now. Given the way those things usually work, it probably would require interest and investment by the Montgomery County Department of Transportation.

**Q** Hi, Dr. Gridlock: After last year, a big deal was made about how many area trails — used by commuters — didn't get plowed. Yet, this year the same thing happened. To it's credit, DDOT did manage to get the new cycle tracks plowed within a day or two, but more-established and well-used trails such as the CCT, Mt. Vernon Trail and Rock Creek Park trail became icy and treacherous. Any thoughts on how we can make clearing these routes more of a priority for the agencies responsible?

Most of the energy at the highway departments seems to have gone into planning how to avoid repeating last winter's problems on the streets. VDOT and MDOT had a big focus on that. I'm sensing the trails were left out in the cold

## METRO PULSE

**The ICC is finally opening. How do you think it'll affect traffic?**



"Not being a driver, I don't know. But I understand their frustration. Who wants to spend every morning and night in traffic? Too bad those people can't take Metro to where they need to go."

**Marcia Witherspoon**, CAPITOL HEIGHTS



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# Local



Vehicles travel on Feb. 17 on the ICC toll highway's gateway bridge on Georgia Avenue, which has decorative fencing and lights.

## Eyes on the Road in Md.

State includes details that give new ICC a natural, green look

**Gaithersburg, Md.**

Many motorists who hit the Inter-county Connector's first stretch when it opens Wednesday might be too busy cruising along at 55 mph to notice, but the new toll highway is designed to be a real looker.

No ugly concrete-and-steel overpasses here, ICC officials say. Think earth tones, expansive arches and elegant curves along 7.2 miles of open asphalt.

The aesthetic details are designed to help the new highway, which will eventually span 18.8 miles between Gaithersburg and Laurel, blend into the landscape.

The first section stretches between Interstate 270 and Norbeck Road, just east of Georgia Avenue in northern Silver Spring. When the tolls kick in March 7 after a two-week "free trial" period, passenger vehicles will be charged 60 cents to \$1.45, depending on the time of day.

**"There are a lot of little details that people wouldn't necessarily pick up on."**

— MELINDA PETERS, MARYLAND STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Concrete for ICC overpasses was poured into special forms and stained to look like stone. The stone theme carries to the sound walls, which come in four complementa-

ry finishes — some with concrete "stone" from top to bottom, some only with horizontal stone panels — depending on each wall's height.

Instead of just being gray, galvanized steel, sign structures and guardrails were painted brown. Rather than end in boring straight edges, the piers holding up the overpasses arch at the top, as do the steel girders supporting the overpasses' roadbeds. Major overpasses — in this first section, that's the Georgia Avenue bridge carrying traffic into Olney — have decorative lighting and fencing to make them "gateways" to communities.

The aesthetic elements added 1 to 2 percent to the first section's \$478.7 million cost, said Melinda Peters, the Maryland State Highway Administration's project director for the ICC's construction.

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

## In Brief



Dorothy Height, above, lived in D.C. before she died last year at age 98.

**WASHINGTON**

### Post Office Named After Civil Rights Leader Height

A post office near Union Station in Washington has been officially renamed in honor of civil rights leader Dorothy Height. It became the first federal building in the city to be named after a black woman. Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, a Democrat who represents the District of Columbia in Congress, introduced the bill to rename the post office and was on hand for the ceremony Tuesday. Height was president of the National Council of Negro Women for 40 years. She died last year. (AP)

**LEESBURG, VA.**

### Va. Fraud Suspect Back In U.S. to Face Charges

A Northern Virginia woman accused of fraudulently obtaining mortgages totaling more than \$50 million has been extradited from Turkey to face prosecution in the United States. Officials in Loudoun County said Tuesday that 43-year-old Diane H. Frederick Atari was returned to the U.S. on Friday. She fled the U.S. after her indictment in July 2009. (AP)

**FREDERICKSBURG, VA.**

### State Park Gets \$1.8M To Fix Civil War Exhibits

The Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park is getting \$1.6 million to revamp exhibits at its two visitors centers. The park preserves and interprets sites of the four major Civil War battles fought in and around Fredericksburg. The existing exhibits were installed at the visitors centers in Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County nearly 50 years ago. (AP)

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# A Deadly Message

Pirates signal a new, aggressive shift with the killing of 4 U.S. hostages

Nairobi, Kenya

A pirate fired a rocket-propelled grenade at a U.S. Navy destroyer shadowing a hijacked yacht with four Americans aboard Tuesday. Then gunfire erupted, the military said. U.S. special forces rushed to the yacht only to find the four Americans fatally wounded.

The experienced yacht enthusiasts from California and Washington state are the first Americans killed by Somali pirates since the start of attacks off East Africa several years ago. One of the American couples on board had been sailing around the world since 2004 handing out Bibles.

Their deaths appear to underscore an increasingly brutal and aggressive shift pirates have been showing toward hostages.

A pirate who said his name was Muse Abdi said killing hostages “has now become part of our rules,” and he referred to a pirate who was sentenced in a New York court last week to 33 years in prison for a 2009 attack on the U.S. cargo vessel the Maersk Alabama.

“From now on, anyone who tries to rescue the hostages in our hands will only collect dead bodies,” he said. “It will never ever happen that hostages are rescued and we are hauled to prison.”

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton condemned the killings, saying in a statement that the slayings were “deplorable.”

Pirates have increased attacks off the coast of East Africa in recent years despite an international flotilla of warships dedicated to protecting vessels and stopping the pirate assaults.

But the conventional wisdom in the shipping industry had been that Somali pirates are businessmen looking for a multimillion-dollar ransom payday, not insurgents looking to terrorize people.

“We have heard threats against the lives of Americans before, but it strikes me as being very, very unusual why they would kill hostages outright,” said Graeme Gibbon-Brooks, the head of Dryad Maritime Intelligence.



An armed pirate stands guard in Somalia. Despite a flotilla of warships, pirates have grown bolder off the coast of East Africa.

## The Victims



### THE OWNERS

The Quest was the home of Jean and Scott Adams, of Marina del Rey, near Los Angeles. They ran a Bible ministry and had distributing Bibles in remote villages.



### THE GUESTS

Phyllis Macay and Bob Riggie, of Seattle, had recently joined the Adams as the group participated in the Blue Water Rally, an around-the-world race.

### BACKGROUND

Race organizers said the Quest recently left the Blue Water Rally despite warnings about the dangers of sailing in the Horn of Africa region. The Adams were skilled and experienced sailors, having traveled from Panama in 2005 to Fiji in 2007 and Cambodia last year. They most recently sailed from Thailand to Sri Lanka and India, and were on their way to Oman when captured. Meanwhile, Macay and Riggie were said to be carrying out a lifelong dream. (AP)

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The number of hostages taken by Somali pirates from 30 different ships. The hostages are worth millions of dollars to the pirates and their investors, who often use successfully earned ransom money on drugs, alcohol and prostitutes. (AP)

The last time pirates kidnapped a U.S. citizen — during the 2009 hijacking of the Maersk Alabama — Navy sharpshooters killed two pirates and rescued the ship's captain.

But Tuesday's bloody events are apt to leave U.S. military planners in a quandary: Do they go after the pirates harder? Do they attack their bases on Somalia's ungoverned shores?

Two days before the hijacking, a New York court sentenced a pirate to 33 years in prison for the 2009 attack on the Maersk Alabama, a U.S. cargo vessel. A pirate in Somalia told the AP last week that pirates were more likely to attack Americans because of the sentencing.

“It's a black day for us and also the Americans, but they lost bigger than us,” a pirate who said his name was Bile Hussein said. “If they still want a solution and safety for their citizens in the oceans, let them release our men they arrested.” JASON STRAZIUSO, MALKHADIR M. MUHUMED (AP)

## Maritime Tragedy: The Final Hours

**PIRATES HAD HIJACKED** the 58-foot yacht Quest, shown left, south of Oman on Friday. Since then, four U.S. warships and sky-high drones shadowed the vessel's movement as pirates tried to sail it to the Somali shore. U.S. officials negotiated with the captors via radio.

But at 8 a.m. East Africa time Tuesday, a rocket-propelled grenade was fired from the Quest at the USS Sterett, a guided-missile destroyer 600 yards away. The RPG missed, and almost immediately afterward, small-arms fire was heard coming from the yacht, said Vice Adm. Mark Fox, commander of the

U.S. 5th Fleet in Bahrain.

Several pirates then appeared on deck with their hands up. U.S. Navy forces boarded the vessel and tried, but failed, to provide lifesaving care to the Americans. No U.S. forces were injured or killed.

Thirteen pirates were captured and detained Tuesday, and two other pirates had boarded the USS Sterett on Monday to negotiate. A member of a U.S. special operations force killed one of the pirates with a knife, Fox said. A second pirate was also killed, and the bodies of two other pirates were discovered on board, bringing to 19 the number of pirates involved. (AP)







In Mike Shanahan's first season as head coach, the Redskins had their worst defensive performance since 1954. Generally, it's hard to do anything worse than it has been done in 56 years. Washington finished 31st out of 32 teams and ranked last for much of the season. It was a stunning drop-off for a team that had a top-10 defense eight times in 10 seasons. Given those stats, it seems indefensible for the coach to use his top draft pick on a quarterback this year.

# A Message to Mike

**D**on't do it, Mike Shanahan. Don't give in to temptation. As much as you want a young quarterback to help you rebuild the Redskins, don't draft one with the 10th overall pick in April's draft.

The offensive-minded coach in you initially may be drawn to one of the former college stars available in the April 28-30 NFL draft. And a few of them may impress in workouts and interviews during this week's draft combine in Indianapolis.

But you're also responsible for Washington's entire football operation, so you should know better. The Redskins have too many holes (craters, actually) on defense to use their first-round pick on offense.

Washington's long search for a franchise quarterback will have to extend into the future. This draft, defense has to be the focus.

Growing pains were inevitable after you ordered the radical shift from the team's long-standing 4-3 defense to an aggressive 3-4. The total collapse, though, occurred because you didn't make the substantive personnel changes necessary to give the new scheme a realistic chance to succeed.

No impact draft picks or free agents were added on defense. In fact, linebacker Perry Riley (fourth round, 103rd overall) was the only defensive player you drafted. Given an extended opportunity late last season, Riley proved he

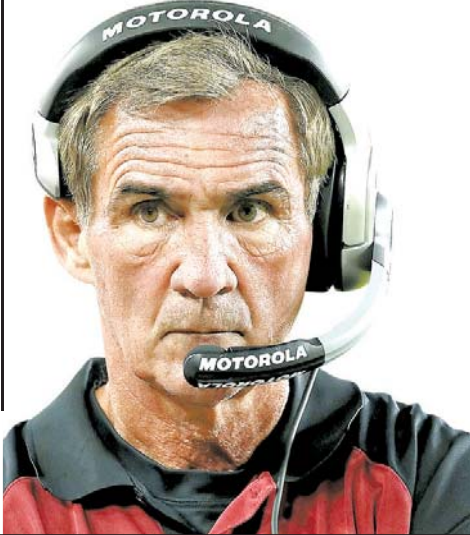


By Jason Reid

wasn't ready for a major role next season.

That's why the whole 3-4 thing last season was such a head-scratcher. The defense doesn't work well without an effective nose tackle, and the Redskins lacked one on their roster. Hoping Albert Haynesworth would eventually accept a position change in his ninth year in the league showed you didn't understand Albert Haynesworth. The move failed spectacularly, as some who follow this franchise envisioned it would.

Assuming the Redskins keep the 10th pick, they should have options at outside linebacker. Adding another gifted one could provide the pass-rushing balance Brian Orakpo couldn't produce by himself last season.



A play-making end also would help.

Mike, I understand why you'd like to get a quarterback high in the draft. Your brief, disastrous partnership with Donovan McNabb cost the team two valuable picks and resulted in more anonymous backstabbing than victories.

**The Redskins have too many holes (craters, actually) on defense to use their first-round pick on offense.**

Drafting and "raising" a young quarterback would be just the thing to re-energize you. It's why you were so eager to find some way to get Sam Bradford last season despite the St. Louis Rams' clear message they were not willing to trade the No. 1 overall pick.

This likely isn't the draft in which you'll find the next Bradford or John Elway. Even your people at Redskins Park believe there is much more talent on defense than offense in this drafts.

So, do yourself a favor, Mike: Use your top pick on a defensive player and draft a quarterback in the second round. It's time to show you understand what it takes to run the 3-4. It's time to begin assembling the pieces you need before it's too late. Really, Mike, just do it. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

**A Model Franchise:** The Green Bay Packers have provided the blueprint for the right way to transition from the 4-3 to 3-4. Before committing to the change in 2009, the Packers drafted two top prospects at the scheme's most important positions: nose tackle B.J. Raji and outside linebacker Clay Matthews. Raji and Matthews provided the foundation for the stout, big-play defense that helped the Packers defeat the Pittsburgh Steelers in the Super Bowl. (TWP)

## In Brief

**MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS**  
**UConn's Calhoun Hit With NCAA Suspension**

UConn coach Jim Calhoun was suspended by the NCAA for three games next season for recruiting violations committed under his watch, though the program was spared a postseason ban. (AP)

**PRO HOCKEY**  
**Molson to Sponsor NHL**

Molson Canadian is set to become the official beer of the National Hockey League. Current beer sponsor Labatt Breweries objected, saying it has already agreed to terms on a renewal. Terms of the Molson deal weren't disclosed. (AP)

**PRO BASEBALL**  
**GM Slams Big Contracts**

Chicago White Sox General Manager Kenny Williams says talk of \$30 million-a-year players is "asinine" and he would support a work stoppage to bring fiscal sanity to the sport. (AP)

## TV Lineup

**HOYAS HOOPS (9 P.M., MASN)**  
Georgetown hosts Cincinnati.

**TERPS HOOPS (9 P.M., MY 20)** Maryland can't afford a loss to Florida State.

**WIZARDS (7 P.M., CSN)** Will John Wall continue his domination of the Philadelphia 76ers?

**MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M., 9 P.M., 11 P.M., ESPN2)** No. 1 Duke seeks to avoid an upset against Temple, Missouri hosts Baylor, and New Mexico State plays San Jose State.

**PRO HOOPS (7 P.M., 9:30 P.M., ESPN)** The San Antonio Spurs host the Oklahoma City Thunder, and the Los Angeles Clippers visit the New Orleans Hornets.

**PRO HOCKEY (7:30 P.M., VERSUS)** The ailing Pittsburgh Penguins host the San Jose Sharks.

# Harper Won't Go Down Without a Fight

Nats' top draft pick says goal is to make the team this spring

## The Nationals

On Tuesday, during the Nationals' first spring training workout, Jayson Werth approached Bryce Harper in the outfield and asked him, "You gonna make the team or what?"

The easy answer, and the actual answer, is no. Harper is just 18, and the Nationals have already begun making arrangements for his opening games to be played with low-Class A Hagerstown.

That's where Harper will start the first full year of his professional career, period.

But that's not how Harper sees it. Before he enrolled at the College of Southern Nevada last year, nobody had left high school after their sophomore year to play at junior college. And so, he doesn't see why he can't make the Nationals.

"Why can't it be realistic?" he asked. "Why can't I come in here and think that I can make this team? I've exceeded expectations my whole life."

During the workout, Harper drilled two home runs to left field in normal batting practices, his first

**"I'm trying to make this club. I'm going to come out here every day and make their choice hard."**

— **BRYCE HARPER**, WHO WILL MOST LIKELY START HIS PRO BASEBALL CAREER IN CLASS-A HAGERSTOWN THIS YEAR.

oppo boppos of the spring. Harper faced two different pitchers in live batting practice, Shairon Martis and Rule 5 pick Brian Broderick, who Harper had faced in the Arizona Fall League, when Broderick was still in the Cardinals' organiza-



Bryce Harper gets a high-five from one of his idols, Ivan Rodriguez, on Tuesday.

tion. Harper swung and missed at two pitches, fouled off several balls, and poked a few line drives into the outfield. Nothing about his performance, good or bad, stood out.

When Harper finished facing Broderick, he walked out of the batting cage and knelt next to Ivan Rodriguez, who made his major league debut June 20, 1991, 484 days before Harper was born. Harper played catcher growing up, and he idolized Rodriguez.

"Pudge and I, we were talking," Harper said. "He said, 'Just do what you've been doing your whole life. It's a simple game. Go out there and play the way you can.'"

ADAM KILGORE (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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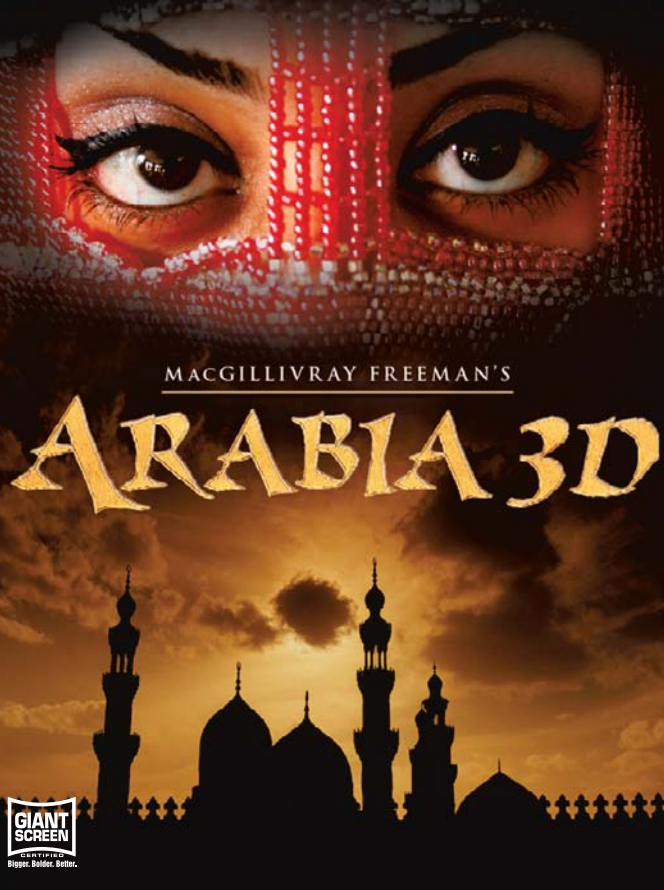
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## Sports

# Knicks Add Punch With Anthony

Stoudemire predicts  
big trade will make  
N.Y. 'hard to guard'

### Pro Basketball

The New York Knicks were searching for a second superstar when Carmelo Anthony became available. The price was high, but they're certain he's worth it.

"When you go out hunting, would you rather have a bigger gun or a little gun?" coach Mike D'Antoni said. "We got a bigger gun."

The Knicks agreed to a trade with the Denver Nuggets for Anthony on Monday night, a person with



Amare Stoudemire, left, and Carmelo Anthony buddy up at the All-Star Game.

knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press. The teams were awaiting the completion of a conference call with the NBA on Tuesday before the deal — which also includes the Minnesota Timber-

wolves — could become official.

Anthony will join fellow All-Star Amare Stoudemire in the front-court, giving the Knicks the potent duo they hoped they could assemble last summer in free agency. Instead, they had to give up much of their core, but in return they get one of the NBA's top scorers.

Stoudemire has led the Knicks to a 28-26 record this season but said Tuesday they will be even more dangerous with Anthony bringing his 25.2 points per game to join his 26.1 average.

"Every team needs a 1, 1A punch," Stoudemire said. "And, so, with the ways that we both can score ... we're very versatile, so it's hard to guard us." **BRIAN MAHONEY (AP)**



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## Geek Philosophy



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## Unfair Trades

**I recently started** to shop for a new television after finally facing the fact that a Buick could park in less space than my current set takes up. I postponed buying a TV for years because of the upheavals in the world of home technology: the emergence of HDTV, competing flat-screen technologies, the HD-DVD versus Blu-ray wars, 3-D visuals. I don't want to spend money just to end up with a device that is obsolete six months later.

For this reason, I was especially intrigued by Best Buy's new Buy Back program. By paying an extra fee when you purchase a device, Best Buy promises to take that item off your hands and give you a gift card when you're ready to upgrade to a new model. It's an idea that could take the worry out of buying new gadgets.

Unfortunately, the fees for the Buy Back program are too high, in effect making it more like an extended warranty program—good for the store, bad for your checkbook. For a \$2,500 TV, for instance, the Buy Back fee is \$300. Give the TV back within seven months, and you get a \$1,250 gift card. Return it after two years, its probable life span, and you get a \$250 gift card—\$50 less than you spent on the fee. My take: You're better off just doing your research and buying wisely.

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RYAN MASTRO

For "Smart Flesh," the Low Anthem recorded in an abandoned 40,000-square-foot building, using the room as an instrument.

# Outside the Box

There's more than just old-timey Americana to the Low Anthem's new CD, 'Smart Flesh'

## Concert Preview

When Jeff Prystowsky and Ben Knox Miller of the Low Anthem met as DJs at Brown University, they didn't have much in common, particularly their taste in music.

"Jeff didn't like folk music at all," Miller says. "He was really into jazz. I always loved folk music. That's what I was raised on."

Despite their differences, they bonded right away and started a

**"We didn't want to be drums, bass, guitar. We wanted to work on finding new textures and sounds, using horns and organs and odd instruments."**

— BEN KNOX MILLER, OF PROVIDENCE, R.I.-BASED FOLK GROUP THE LOW ANTHEM, ON HIS GROUP'S ATTITUDE TOWARD EXPLORING NEW MEANS OF MUSICAL EXPRESSION.

band called Hi This Is Otis, with electronica drum beats, an upright jazz fusion bass sound and ambient guitar. They formed the Low Anthem in 2006 and agreed on one important thing: thinking outside the musical box.

"We didn't want to be drums, bass, guitar," Miller says. "We wanted to work on finding new textures

and sounds, using horns and organs and odd instruments."

Prystowsky and Miller might have known that they wanted to be different, but they didn't know exactly how. After college, they experimented with jaw harps, musical saws and stylophones. But it wasn't until fellow Brown graduate and classical clarinetist Jocie Adams came on

## Backstory

### Pure Intentions

The Low Anthem has found considerable success of late, signing to Nonesuch Records in 2009 and appearing twice on the "Late Show With David Letterman." But Ben Knox Miller is unfazed. "We're a lot more interested in playing shows than watching record sales," he says. "We're just playing the music that we personally love." M.M.

board that the band fully realized its sound. "Jocie gave [the band] this new direction," Miller says.

Soon the trio became a quartet with Mat Davidson, who plays a number of instruments, including accordion. To produce its newest record, "Smart Flesh" (out this week), the band recorded in an abandoned 40,000-square-foot building.

"The building was the instrument, and the songs that worked were the ones that respected its speed and its mood and the way that the sound would return," Miller says. "We wanted to make a record that happened in real physical space as opposed to artificial means of producing space."

A washed-out piano sound on the first track, "Ghost Woman Blues," sets the tone, which is at times reminiscent of the Hollies or the Band, yet far more melancholy and haunting. The result is an Americana album that sounds as lonely as the abandoned warehouse. **MOIRA E. MCLAUGHLIN (THE WASHINGTON POST)**

● **Sixth & I Historic Synagogue, 600 I Street, NW; with Bobby & Daniel Lefkowitz; Thu., 7 p.m.; \$20; 202-408-3100; Sixthandi.org. (Gallery Place)**



**Promotional Clips:** A new, "fan cut" of the documentary "Justin Bieber: Never Say Die" will be released on Friday, for one week only, with 40 minutes of new footage. Director Jon M. Chu said he had an "embarrassment of riches" in leftover material and sought out suggestions from Bieber fans on Twitter and Facebook. The announcement comes a day after Bieber revealed that he'd snipped off his famous bowl cut. (AP/EXPRESS)



Compiled by Fiona Zublin. For more upcoming events, follow the Top Stops blog at [expressnightout.com/topstops](http://expressnightout.com/topstops).

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## 1 Waste Not

The Oscar-nominated documentary "Waste Land" is about Vik Muniz's trip to the largest garbage dump in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where he creates artwork based on (and with the help of) those who make a living searching for recyclables among the trash. You can see it tonight at the National Archives; get there an hour early to pick up your tickets. **National Archives, 700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-357-5000, Archives.gov. (Archives)**

## 2 To Be, Or Not?

There's a game show element to Chesapeake Shakespeare Company productions. Every actor learns two roles; the audience picks which role he or she will play each go-round. There are no correct answers, so you don't get a Jacuzzi for choosing the "right" actor. The troupe's latest work is "Cymbeline," a story of dysfunctional royalty, long-lost kids, cross-dressing and so on. **5410 Leaf Treader Way, Columbia; through March 19, \$15-\$30; 410-313-8874, Chesapeakeshakespeare.com.**

## 3 Obligatory Notice

This is our official acknowledgement that we are aware Lady Gaga will be at the Verizon Center on Thursday. Ticketmaster doesn't explicitly say it's sold out, but it wouldn't let us buy tickets, so maybe it's just taunting us. Here are a few "facts" about her that we found on the Internet: She may be a member of the Illuminati, a man and/or a lizard in human form. **Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW; with Scissor Sisters; Thu., 8 p.m., \$53-\$178; 800-745-3000, Verizoncenter.com. (Gallery Place)**



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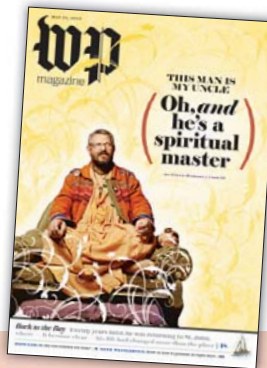
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# The Academy's Most Wanted

Elusive street artist Banksy keeps his Oscar plans a secret

Awards Shows

The question that's kept Oscar observers guessing since nominations were announced — Will Banksy show up? — remains unanswered. But the motion picture academy says the bad-boy British street artist is more than welcome to attend.

The elusive graffiti star is up for best documentary feature for his directing debut, "Exit Through the Gift Shop." Since he prefers to hide his face, it has seemed unlikely he



Even in his own film, Banksy, above, appears in shadows and with his voice altered.

would reveal himself before half a billion viewers worldwide on Hollywood's biggest night Sunday.

"Banksy and his folks are keeping

I don't think he's going to be wearing a name tag."

It seems Banksy was already in L.A. this past week, as evidenced by a few pieces of his work that cropped up around town. One of them, a billboard for a Las Vegas nightclub, was tagged with images of Mickey and Minnie Mouse drinking and smoking with a scantily clad dancer.

When Banksy was nominated Jan. 25, he put out a statement: "This is a big surprise. I don't agree with the concept of award ceremonies, but I'm prepared to make an exception for the ones I'm nominated for. The last time there was a naked man covered in gold paint in my house, it was me." CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

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# TV tonight **lookout**

## Best Bets

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**Minute to Win It** Adventurer Aron Ralston, whose life-changing ordeal inspired the Oscar-nominated film "127 Hours," takes part in challenges in hopes of winning \$1 million for charity.

ABC  
9:00

**Modern Family** Gloria and Jay try to help when Phil and Claire get into a huge argument. Meanwhile, Cameron asks Mitchell and Luke to help him prepare for a big fundraising event.

FX  
10:00

**Justified** The hijacking of a bus full of drugs ends in murder, sending Raylan (Timothy Olyphant) in pursuit of the most likely culprit: Boyd Crowder (recurring guest star Walton Goggins).

NBC  
10:00

**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** Countess LuAnn de Lesseps of "The Real Housewives of New York" guest-stars as an art patron who discovers a gruesome work of art that leads gallery visitors to the corpse of a woman, which Benson and Stabler (Christopher Meloni, left) then investigate. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



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## Return to the Runway

CW  
8:00

As Cycle 16 opens, the semifinalists travel to Los Angeles, where host Tyra Banks pulls off a major switcheroo before the lucky 14 selected as finalists get to move into the penthouse. At a posh estate in Malibu, the models meet designer/model Erin Wasson and walk a narrow runway in a plastic bubble. Fashion photographer Russell James does a backstage photo shoot, then Andre Leon Talley and Nigel Barker join the judges panel for the first elimination. (TM)

## Competition

### Butter Her Up

For "Top Chef's" (10 p.m., Bravo) quick-fire challenge, the remaining chefs must use a deep fryer to prepare a dish that will pass muster with the cholesterol-loving Paula Deen. Later, the chefs are charged with preparing a pleasing seafood dish for a charity event benefiting the fishermen of the Gulf of Mexico. (TM)



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South Padre sits on the south end of the 34-mile-long Padre Island, which is the longest barrier island in the world. On the ocean side of the narrow strip, the island is bordered by the Gulf of Mexico, while three blocks to the east, the bay side



Windsurfers ride the waves in Laguna Madre Bay off of South Padre Island, Texas.

sits on Laguna Madre Bay. South Padre Island has a small year-round population, about 5,000, but spring break and summer vacations bring

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party at the Isla Grand Beach Resort, which attracts crowds of 12,000 to 18,000 college students daily for much of March.

With a couple friends, I headed to a local surf shop, Island Native, to rent surfboards and take a lesson. It was my first time surfing. One of my friends was up in a matter of seconds and had a mad-hatter grin for the rest of the day.

As the sun set that day and people loaded their gear into vans and SUVs, my friends and I sat in the sand to watch and reflect on the experience. We'd spent a week on the island and hadn't seen one wet T-shirt contest, beer bong or popped collar. Instead, we had discovered an incredible water-sport scene. I had planned my next trip to South Padre Island before we were back on the plane.

SUMMER MOORE (AP)



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# Back to Basics

**Miami chef Michael Schwartz** proves that food doesn't have to be complicated to taste good. As owner of Michael's Genuine Food & Drink in Miami, the James Beard Award winner has earned a rep for his unpretentious cuisine that spotlights fresh local ingredients. In his new book "Michael's Genuine Food: Down-to-Earth Cooking for People Who Love to Eat" (Clarkson Potter, \$35), he expounds on his eat-local philosophy and offers tons of seasonal recipes. We spoke with Schwartz recently to learn more about keeping it simple. **BETH LUBERECKI**

**What does the phrase "genuine food" mean to you?**

That word "genuine" is an important word in our world. It's the measuring stick not just for the food but for everything in the restaurant, including our intentions and our culture. But in terms of food, it certainly means food that's thoughtfully sourced. We spend a lot of time sourcing our food — working on new suppliers, finding new farmers and forging relationships with those guys.

**What are the benefits of using seasonal, locally sourced ingredients?**

A lot of it is common sense. Finding product that is closer to home, obviously, cuts down on fuel use. I think supporting local agriculture helps out the community. Then there's the freshness and quality of the product. When we go down to the farms that are harvesting this morning for us to pick the product up today to serve tonight, we know that makes a huge difference.

**What should people in the D.C. area be cooking with this time of year?**

**How can we eat locally and seasonally during winter in a cold climate?** You always have to make modifica-



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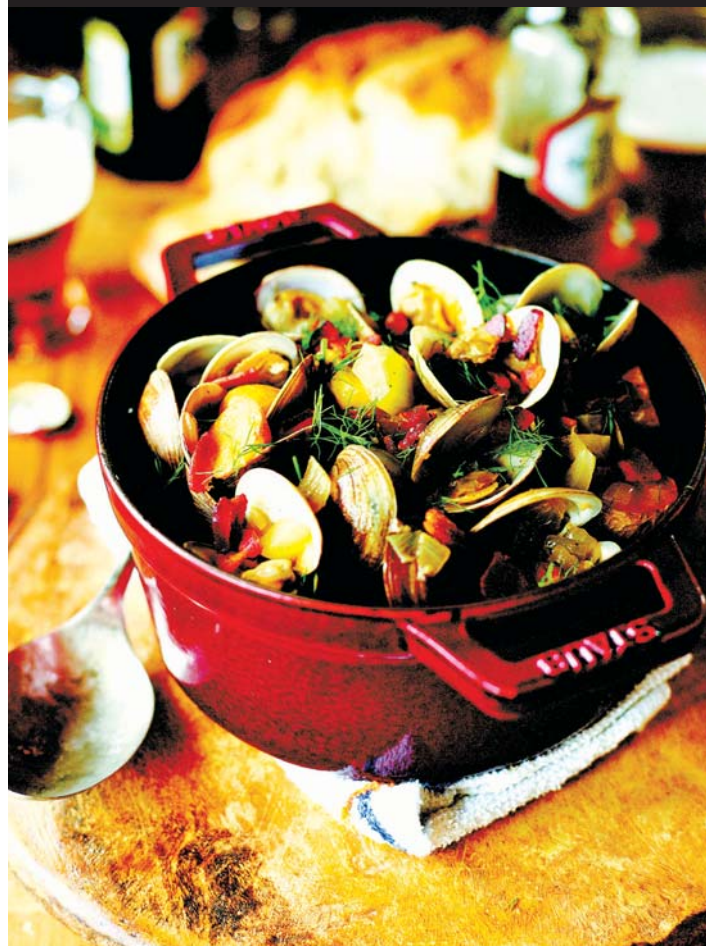
Miami chef Michael Schwartz tends to go loco for local, seasonal ingredients.

tions. To want to eat locally all the time and to actually do it are two different things. It's been a long time since I've lived up north, but I know that you either put stuff up in jars during the summer or eat lots of root vegetables.

**You've gotten into urban farming. Do you have any tips for other city folk who want to grow things or raise animals at home?**

Just do it. Because if you overthink or overanalyze it, it becomes this daunting, monster task. The best

## Recipe File



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### STOUT-BRAISED CLAMS WITH POTATO, FENNEL AND BACON

#### Ingredients

- ◆ 1/4 pound thick-cut bacon, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- ◆ 1/4 pound fingerling potatoes (about 4), cut into 1/2-inch chunks
- ◆ 1/2 small white onion, cut into 1/4-inch chunks
- ◆ 1 fennel bulb, top removed, fronds reserved, halved, cored, and cut into 1/2-inch chunks
- ◆ 3 garlic cloves, minced
- ◆ 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ◆ 24 littleneck clams, well scrubbed
- ◆ 1 cup stout
- ◆ 1 cup chicken stock
- ◆ 2 tablespoons unsalted butter

#### Makes Four Servings

Put a Dutch oven or large pot over medium heat. When hot, add the bacon and fry until it gets crispy and renders the fat, roughly four minutes.

Using a slotted spoon, transfer bacon to a paper towel-lined plate. Add the potatoes to the fat in the pot. Cook, stirring, until the potatoes get a little color and start to soften up, about five minutes.

Add the onion, fennel, garlic and pepper. Cook until the vegetables are soft, about five minutes.

Raise heat to high. Add the clams, stout and stock. Give everything a good stir and cover the pot. Steam until the clams open, five to eight minutes, discarding any that do not open.

Stir in the butter, and sprinkle the reserved fennel fronds on top. Serve from the pot, ladling portions at the table. **MICHAEL SCHWARTZ**

advice I can give is to start out small; plant a plot or even containers. Then if you have some success, like in cooking, it will build your confidence and make you want to do more.

**In the book, there are instructions on things like making your own bacon and ricotta cheese. How should first-timers tackle fears about trying new techniques?**

The way we approached this book was not to dumb down what we do

**"We wanted people to have success, those little victories that build confidence."**

in the restaurant, because what do in the restaurant is very similar to what we do in the book. But we wanted people to have success, those little victories that build confidence. There are always ingredients or techniques that people are scared of. Searing a perfect piece of fish is not easy. But if you do it a couple of times and get the hang of it, it becomes pretty easy.

**Any advice for navigating the produce section of the grocery store?**

Look for freshness and abundance. My favorite section is always the one that has big leafy chard, radishes, beets — things with tops. I always look to the tops to tell me how fresh those things are. Of course, abundance would dictate price. When things are abundant they are usually less expensive, and that means they may be local or more seasonal. If something is very expensive or dehydrated and dried out, stay away.

**You're a part of the White House's Chefs Move to Schools initiative to educate kids about nutrition. Why did you want to get involved with the project?**

For us, it's about doing our part to help these guys learn how to eat healthy, to teach their parents how to eat healthy, and to give access to healthy food.



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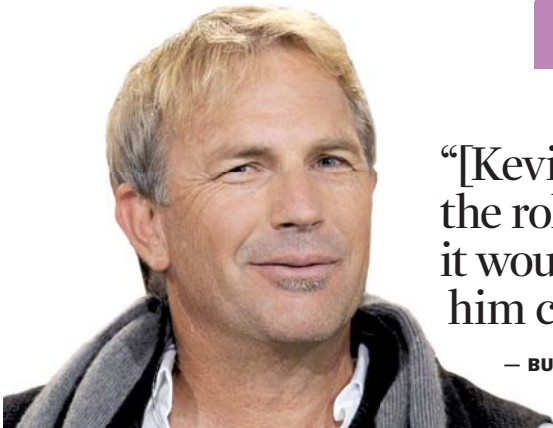
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**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) You're on the trail of something that will make a big difference to you when it comes to light. Be ready to make some quick decisions.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) You are likely to value what you have to say more than others, but, truly, what you have to say will make a difference when the time is right.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) Something you think is lighthearted is not likely to be taken in the same way by those who are most affected by its evolution.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) It's your call, but the decision to do or not do what seems a no-brainer isn't likely to be forgotten quickly. Use all necessary care.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) Your advice will help someone close to you reach a personal goal. You'll be inspired to reach higher as a result.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not even remember a minor mistake made long ago that comes back to affect you in ways both direct and indirect.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may feel as though someone is intentionally leaving you in the dark, but the truth is that he or she knows even less than you do.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Your usual hunger for certain activities is likely to be far more acute, and you'll want to satisfy it in the quickest possible way.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) The best way to tell someone what he or she doesn't want to hear is to say it quickly, simply and with respectful sensitivity.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Every now and then, it's good for you to do what doesn't come naturally — and this is one of those times. Make a real effort.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are likely to catch up with those who have been privy to certain pieces of key information for quite some time.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You can come on strong without being overly aggressive. Confidence makes all the difference — and you have that in spades.

## Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 200-210, BEST SCORE 279

E<sub>1</sub> U<sub>1</sub> U<sub>1</sub> F<sub>4</sub> S<sub>1</sub> F<sub>4</sub> S<sub>1</sub>

Triple Word Score

RACK 1

E<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> Y<sub>4</sub> T<sub>1</sub> L<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> V<sub>4</sub>

RACK 2

A<sub>1</sub> U<sub>1</sub> U<sub>1</sub> L<sub>1</sub> J<sub>8</sub> R<sub>1</sub> G<sub>2</sub>

3rd Letter Double

RACK 3

A<sub>1</sub> A<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> M<sub>3</sub> L<sub>1</sub> D<sub>2</sub>

RACK 4

### Yesterday's Solution

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### Yesterday's Solution

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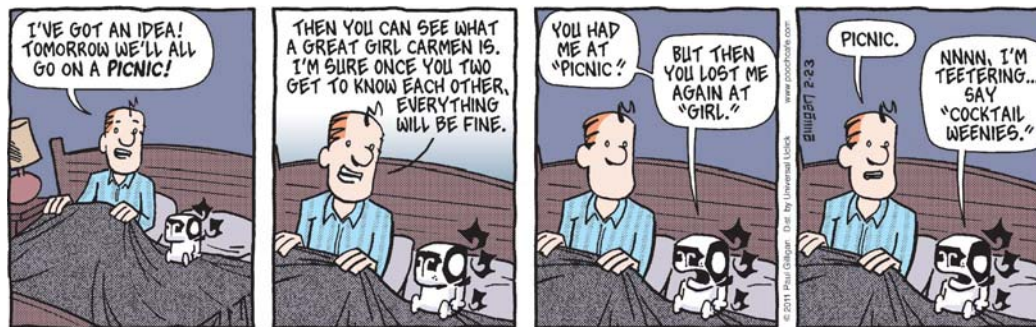
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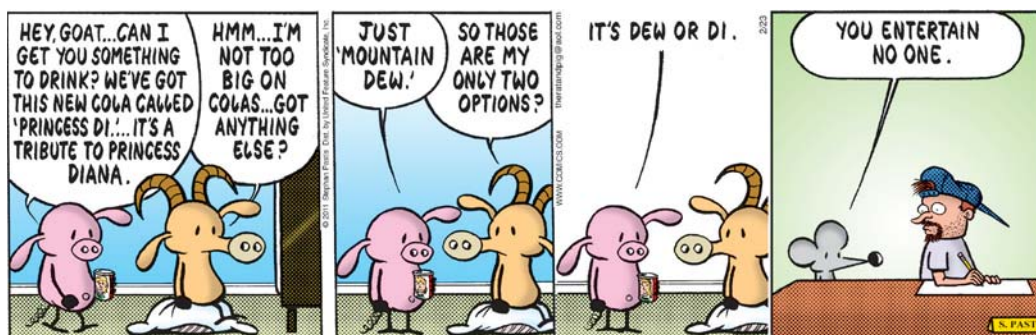
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**Today:** Not as cold today with plenty of sun. Increasing clouds tonight.

**51 | 41**

**Tomorrow:** Mostly cloudy tomorrow. Rain, some heavy tomorrow night.

### Looking Ahead



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ACROSS

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- 5 Tell secrets
- 11 Sib, either way
- 14 Fork location
- 15 Conan of TV talk
- 16 Baking amt.
- 17 Repertoire
- 19 Auburn Univ. locale
- 20 "\_\_\_ had so many children ..."
- 21 Type of year
- 22 Chink in the armor
- 23 \_\_\_ fatale
- 24 Very serious
- 26 Like this puzzle answer
- 29 Large Asian desert
- 30 "I see"
- 31 Logic's counterpart
- 36 Stem-to-stern stabilizer
- 37 Bone just above the foot
- 38 Move like a river
- 39 Some fedoras
- 41 San Antonio landmark
- 42 Sleuth's quest
- 43 Whooping birds
- 44 Food poisoning, e.g.
- 47 Oct. 31 transport
- 49 On the other team's turf
- 50 Diamond and Abner
- 51 They deliver announcements
- 54 Is able to
- 55 Elaborate sham
- 59 Question
- 61 Expressed, as an adieu
- 62 Wondering word
- 63 Yellowstone's Steamboat, for one
- 64 Vast number

DOWN

- 1 Spheres in space
- 2 Sailor who sent forth a dove
- 3 Zoo unit
- 4 Old Tokyo

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- 5 Emblems
- 6 Biblical patriarch, originally
- 7 Utter nonsense
- 8 Personality quirk
- 9 Albania's monetary unit
- 10 Short dashes
- 11 Hard, as bread
- 12 Religion with pillars
- 13 What salmon seek to do
- 18 Skeleton's lack
- 22 Swindle
- 23 Police may suspect it
- 24 They're often loaded
- 25 Japanese wrap
- 26 Web-footed diving birds
- 27 "Big Brother" host
- 28 Satellite of Saturn
- 29 Serengeti antelopes
- 31 Stated
- 32 Tree with samaras
- 33 Verve
- 34 Seward Peninsula port
- 35 Yahtzee category
- 37 Buffet meal carrier
- 40 Carefully cultivated plot
- 41 Stein threepeat?
- 43 More wintry
- 44 Noisy parrot
- 45 Overflowing with water
- 46 Tall and long-limbed
- 47 Vague shapes
- 48 Drill item
- 51 Sound made by a bell
- 52 White House assistant
- 53 Crockpot creation
- 55 Shake, as a finger

- 56 Outmoded preposition meaning "before"
- 57 \_\_\_ of Biscay
- 58 Major American network

Yesterday's Solution

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Today in History

- 1836** The siege of the Alamo begins in San Antonio, Texas.
- 1861** President-elect Abraham Lincoln arrives secretly in Washington to take office, after word of a possible assassination plot in Baltimore.
- 1954** The first mass inoculation of children against polio with the Salk vaccine begins in Pittsburgh.

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**MINOR TWEAKS****Snooki Version 2.0 Released With Bug Fixes, Retina Display, Multitasking. Still Not Ad-Free.**

New "Jersey Shore" cast member Deena Nicole Cortese is attempting to trademark the name "Deena Nicole," TMZ.com reported. According to the application, she would like to brand sportswear, lingerie, outerwear and accessories with the DN logo, which looks like her monogrammed initials. Shoremates Snooki and JWoww have trademarked their names in a variety of permutations. (EXPRESS)

**THE OTHER ONE****News About the Kate You Don't Care About**

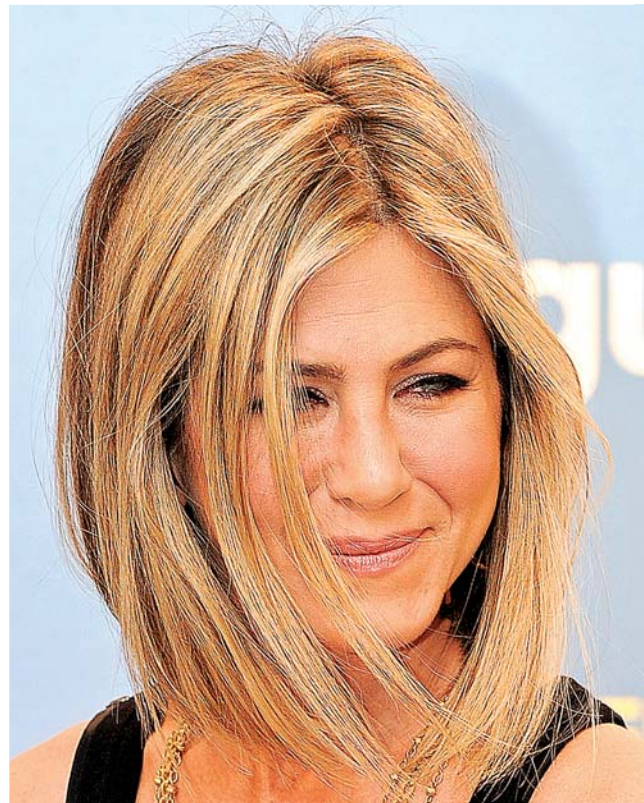
A friend of Kate Moss' has implied that the model will be designing her own wedding gown. When asked whether she would be creating the dress, Vivienne Westwood told the Daily Mail, "No, I think she's designing it herself." She continued: "She has done her own fashion range, and she knows about clothes. She knows what she is doing; she doesn't need my help." (EXPRESS)



As models age, they begin to suffer uncontrollable facial contortions.

**Victims****And on That We Can All Agree**

Richard O'Sullivan — producer of the alleged Lindsay Lohan "comeback film," "One Night With You" — says the Los Angeles D.A. is putting the project in jeopardy. "If they decide ... to nail her on some sort of trumped-up probation violation and put her in jail immediately, we'd be screwed." (EXPRESS)



Hair, the way nature intended: damaged by huge quantities of chemicals.

**MASS HAIRCUT PANIC****It's Hair. This Happens.**

The excitement of Justin Bieber's shocking haircut evaporated Tuesday when Jennifer Aniston revealed that she, too, had weathered a hair-shortening event. She debuted the change at the Madrid premiere of "Just Go With It." The last time her hair was culturally relevant was in 2004. There are probably many theories on why humans put so much value on the protein stalks growing out of their heads, but there is, thankfully, no more space here. (EXPRESS)

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**STATEMENTS****Publicist Has Several Months to Craft Sentence Using Words 'Blissful,' 'Healthy' and 'Resting'**

Alyssa Milano is pregnant with her first child, she tweeted. "Yes, it's true. And we couldn't be happier," she wrote. "Thank you for your warm wishes and love!" she added. She married CAA agent Dave Bugliari, her second husband, in August 2009. (EXPRESS)

**"I've been on a few dates. ... I have eight kids already. I don't need nine."**



— KATE GOSSSELIN EXPLAINS TO GEORGE LOPEZ ON "LOPEZ TONIGHT" THAT SHE'S NOT LOOKING FOR ANOTHER MAN RIGHT NOW — OR, AT LEAST, ANOTHER MAN-CHILD.

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